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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Replace the indicated claims with:

2. (Amended) A material according to claim 1 wherein the organic compound is derived from poly(styrene sulfonic acid) or a salt thereof, or poly(vinyl phosphonic acid) or a salt thereof.

5. (Amended) A material according to claim 1 wherein the oleophilic imaging layer comprises carbon black or graphite as an IR-absorbing compound.

6. (Amended) A material according to claim 1 wherein the cross-linked hydrophilic upper layer comprises oxides or hydroxides of beryllium, magnesium, aluminum, silicon, gadolinium, germanium, arsenic, indium, tin, antimony, tellurium, lead, bismuth, titanium or a transition metal.